

Borough of Merchantbille New Jersey

FRANK M. NORTH MAYOR (856) 662-2474 Ext.119

February 8, 2011

Attn: Bernie Platt, Mayor

Cherry Hill Township 820 Mercer Street Cherry Hill, NJ 08002

Re: Merchantville-Cherry Hill Consolidation Application

Dear Mayor Platt,

It has been several weeks since our telephone conference with Betty Lou DeCroce, Deputy Commissioner and Thomas Neff, Chairman Local Finance Board regarding the above captioned subject.

Although you expressed concerns regarding alleged remarks placed on a privately owned website by the wife of one of our commissioners, it was my understanding that Cherry Hill was going forward and would appoint a commission to interact with Merchantville on this undertaking.

As of this date, Merchantville's Borough Clerk has not received the names of Cherry Hill's commissioners or a contact name that would be able to assist in scheduling a meeting between the two groups. Should Cherry Hill Township elect delay putting its commission together, prior to February 28, 2010, a joint application will not be submitted pursuant to Chairman Thomas Neff's request.

Hoping someone from your staff will contact Mrs. Brouse, Borough Clerk with this much needed information within the next week. Arrangements can then be made to move this matter along without any additional delays.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation as it relates to this request.

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Sincerely,

Frank M. North

Mayor

Cc: Thomas H. Neff, Chairman Local Finance Board

BettyLou DeCroce, Deputy Commissioner DCA

Merchantville Study Commission Members

Merchantville Borough Council

Senator James Beach

Dan Keashen, Cherry Hill Public Information Officer

Cherry Hill Township Council